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McCLURE COAT OF ARMS
From Burke's Peerage

The McClures

The Kennedys

The Tennants

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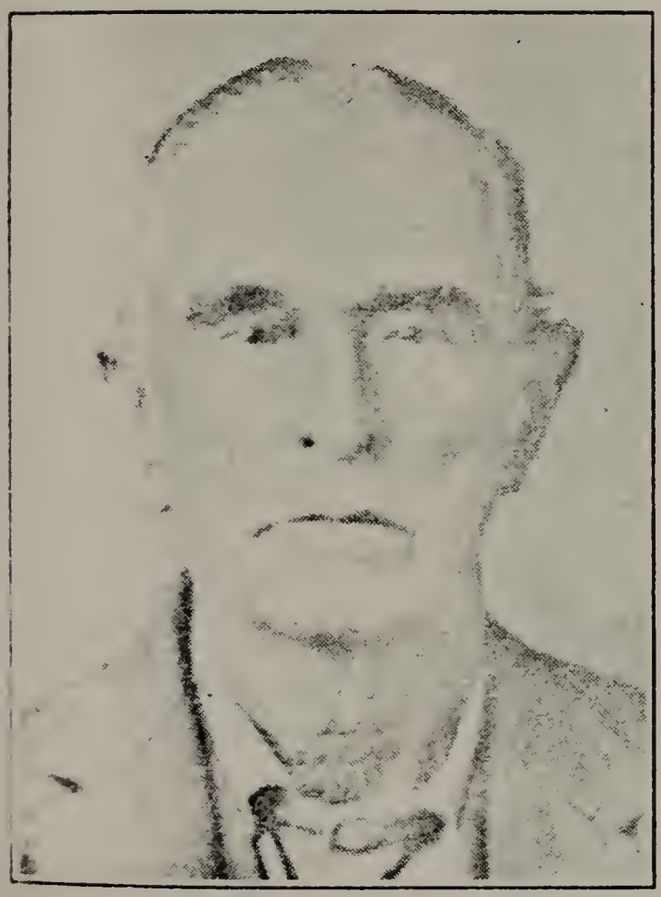

WILLIAM McCLURE
1819-1896

REV. W. T. McCLURE
1856- 1932

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DEDICATED

To my Beloved Father
Walter Tennant McClure
and
My dear Grandfather
William McClure

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I wish to express my gratitude and appreciation to every member of the clan, who so cheerfully co-operated with me in the compilation of this genealogy, and without whose help, it would have been impossible to have accomplished so detailed a history of our Family. I am indeed grateful to Mrs. Alleene Bates, Charles C. Chandler, John McClure, John Charles McClure, Effie Salmon, Mrs. Alice McClure Starr, Florence George, William D. McClure, Addison Tennant, T. J. Sallee and others for valuable records loaned me. Long may the Clan live and flourish.

A health to the McClures! May our Family Trees grow and grow!

Mabel Byron McClure
December 1933

McCLURE CLAN

ORIGIN OF THE NAME

There are various spellings of the name: McClure, McCluer, McClewer, Maclure, MacLewer, McLure, and McLuir. The origin of the name McCLURE has frequently been discussed in the genealogical literature of Great Britain. These are a few of the theories that have been advanced:

1. That it is a derivation of the Gaelic MacLeabhair, pronounced, McLour and means "Son of the Book". e. g. they were teachers in the Clan MacLeod. just as the McMcRimmions were the Clan Pipers. Several Gaelic scholars deny this derivation of the name, though they admit the ancient tradition of the McClure tutorship.

2. That the name is identical with MacLir or McLur, the Sea God of Ireland or the Isle of Man.

3. That the McClures were originally a Manx Family, the first legendary king being a Manannan McClure. This tradition is adhered to by the McClures of Manchester, England, to which family belong the late Sir John W. McClure, M. P., and the Very Rev. Edward C. McClure, D. D. Dean of Manchester. It is also held by Sir Edward Stanley McClure.

4. That the name originated in the ancient sport of falconry, in which LURE was used to recall the falcon. A soldier from the ancient town of LURE in Normandy crossed the Channel with William the Conqueror. He was rewarded for his services by a grant of land in the Island of SKYE and was known as DeLure, Mac being later substituted for DE to harmonize with the Gaelic custom.

5. The theory of Rev. J. Campbell McClure, minister of Maykirk, Kincardinshire, Scotland, is that the McClures are a sept of the Clan McLeod; he states that the family tradition handed down to him through a long line of ancestors is "In early times, a Sept of the MacLeods left the Island of Skye for Ulster where the north Irish slurred the "d" of McLuide as it was then pronounced into "r" hence McLure. Later many of the name passed over from the Northeast of Ireland to Galloway, thus to Wigonshire and so on to Ayrshire. These districts today contain many McClures.

It is certain that McClures are in some way connected with the Clan McLeod, evidenced by the fact that the oldest traditions of the family in Scotland take them back to the Island Skye; the traditions of Skye link together the McClures and the McLeods. McClures have always had the same motto, the same crest and tartan as the McLeods, and their right to have them has never been questioned. Mc-

Clure history then properly begins with the McLeods.

Some authorities aver that they are of Irish descent; that they held mainland estates under the crown as early as 1340 and the island estates at the same time under the Lords of the Isles. When the final forfeiture of the Lords of the Isles took place at the end of the 15th century, the MacLeods got charters of their Island estates from the Crown.

THE McCLURES IN HISTORY

The McClure name is conspicious in Scottish history. They occupied the post of honor at the battle of Harlaw, 1411; they were at the battle of Bloody Bay, 1485; they took part in the negotations to transfer the allegiance of the Highland Chiefs from the Scottish to the English King and signed the commission under which these negotiations were carried on. They took part in the battle of Worcester, 1661, led by Sir Norman McLeod of Bernera, where they lost 700 men. Treated by Charles II with the grossest ingratitude they took no part in the subsequent Stuart uprising though there is a letter extant from James II, dated Dublin, 1690 imploring McLeod to join Dundee.

It is said that the name MAKLURE occurs in Scotland as early as the 12th century. It is claimed by some that the original home of the McClures in Scotland was in the southwest probably in Galloway. Ayrshire was also full of McClures.

In Munsey's Magazine, February, 1911, in an article on Robert Burns, illustrated with a photograph of an old Allowar Kirkyard, the name of George McClure appears on one of the stones. Many of the family are buried there.

TWO McCLURE FAMILY CRESTS

1. An eagle's head, erased, proper.
2. A Domed tower, on top a flag, all proper.

McCLURE COAT OF ARMS

Argent, on a chevron engrailed azure, in chief two roses, and in a base a quatrefoil, gules, a martlet between two escallopes of the first:

McCLURE MOTTOES:

1. Partus Sum; 2. Manu Forti.

(See Burke's 'Landed Gentry'.)

McCLURES IN IRELAND

When and why did the members of the family emigrate to Ireland from Scotland? There are two answers to this question:

1. In the planting of Ulster

Following the accession of James VI to the throne of England in 1603, the Earls of Tyrone and Tyrconnel inaugurated a general rebellion against the king. The effort failed and the result was a forfeiture to the crown of 511,465 acres of land. James sought to settle these lands upon Protestant populations. Grants of lands and numerous privileges were held out as inducements. Thousands availed themselves of the advantageous offer and settled with their families upon these forfeited estates. Among these emigrants were three McClures from Ayrshre, Scotland, who crossed over the channel to Ireland in 1608.

One settled in Saintfield, County Down. In this branch of the family the name Anthony frequently occurs. The most distinguished of the McClures of Down was Rev. Robert McClure for 63 years pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Annahilt, ordained and installed on April 20, 1760. He had a large family.

Minutes of the Presbyteries and Synod of Ulster gave some interesting information: In the minutes of Laggan Presbytery, 1672-1700 are found the following names:

Richard McClure, Elder from Donoughmore, 1679.
John McClure, Elder from Raphoe, now Convoy.
Richard McClure, Elder from Raphoe, now Convoy, 1693.
John McClure. Elder from Burt near Derry, 1698.

In the records of General Synod these names occur frequently:
James McClure, Armahg, Presbytery 1705, 12, 15.
John McClure, Belfast Presbytery, 1723,
Thomas McLewer, Templepatrick Presbytery, 1738.
William McLewer, Templepatrick Presbytery, 1740.

2. The second distinct emigration from Scotland to Ireland was from 1661-1688. The last two Stuarts Acts of Oppression were so severe and so continued that to escape, many sought a refuge with their countrymen, who had colonized Ireland in peaceful times.

There they found a hearty welcome and for a little while freedom from oppression that made exiles.

Records of those times show that there was a Captain Robert McClure born in Londonderry about 1775 an officer in the old 89th Foot and served abroad. He married Jane, daughter of Archdeacon Elgee, while stationed at Wexford with his regiment. His son, Sir Robert

John LeMesurier McClure, 1807-1873, was discoverer of the Northwest Passage for which he received a large sum of money, knighthood and thanks of parliament. Since both of his names are repeated so frequently in our family he may be of same family.

McCLURES LEAVE IRELAND FOR AMERICA

The period of the Covenanter Persecution in Scotland was one of comparative quiet in England, but persecution came under James II. Later in the reign of Anne, 1702-1714 under the Test Act they were made exceedingly uncomfortable. Unless they conformed in worship they could not hold public office, nor be married by their own ministers, nor bury their own dead by their own simple rites, build churches, buy land nor employ teachers except those of the established faith. Thus deprived by oppressive laws of every position of trust and honor, denied the liberty of speech, freedom and exercise of conscience, together with burdensome restraints on their commerce and extortionate rents from the landlord, they began to look toward America as another and better home.

In two years following the Antrim Evictions 30,000 protestants left Ulster for a land where there was no legal robbery. In 1750 it was estimated 12,000 came from Ulster to America. These Scotch Irish were admirably suited to build up a new country. Some of them were scholars. Many were pioneers in American Revolution.

"People who never look backward to their ancestors will never look forward to Posterity." May each generation of McClures revere the heritage bought by the blood of their ancestors.

M. B. Mc.

Much of this information was taken from a History of the McClure Family written by Rev. James Alexander McClure, of Petersburg, Virginia in 1914.

EXCERPTS FROM "THE HISTORY OF NEWTON, LAWRENCE BARRY AND McDONALD COUNTIES, MISSOURI"

Published by the Goodspeed Publishing Co.,1888, page 1035.

Thomas J. McClure, Sr., a farmer living four miles south of Cassville, Barry County, Mo., was born in East Tennessee in 1834, and is a son of John and Margaret (Kennedy) McClure. John McClure was a native of America, but his father came from Ireland. John McClure and wife were the parents of eleven children, two of whom died in infancy. The others are Daniel K., deceased; Ewing, deceased; Allen, deceased; William, who resides near Washburn, Barry County; Re-

becca, who lives in Washington, County, Ark.; John, deceased; George, who resides in Washington, County, Ark.; Polly Ann, deceased; and Thomas J. The last named was taken by relatives to Washington County, Ark., when he was about eight months old, and remained there about two years. Since then his home has been in Barry County, Mo. In 1862 he enlisted in the confederate Army as a member of Company C, 8th Missouri Regiment, and was in the service until 1864. He participated in the skirmishes at Fayetteville, Ark., and in the battle of Helena, and after the war returned home. He has been twice married. His first wife, Isabel Roland died in 1865, leaving three children, all of whom are living, viz: Finis Lafayette, Cordelia P. (Mrs. Theophilus D. Pitts) and Thomas E. In 1866 Mr. McClure married his first wife's sister, Mrs. America Martin, widow of Thomas J. Martin, and to them were born four children, all of whom are living: John P., Ewing K., Francis E. and Mary Ann. Mr. McClure has been a life-long democrat, having cast his first presidential vote for Buchanan. He is a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, and is highly esteemed by his neighbors and acquaintances. His farm of 175 acres is beautifully situated, and is in a high state of cultivation.

William McClure, one of the leading citizens of Barry County, Mo., was born in Greene County, Tennessee., Oct. 8, 1819, and is a son of John and Margaret (Kennedy) McClure. John McClure was born near Baltimore, Md., in 1790, just three months after his parents arrived from Ireland. Shortly after his birth his father removed to Virginia, locating near Lynchburg.. Soon after he removed to Washington County, Tenn., and settled on a farm, where John McClure grew to manhood. The latter was married in 1811, and located in Greenville, taking charge of the iron works belonging to the estate of his father-in-law, Daniel Kennedy. After a few years he removed to Rhea County and settled on a farm, which he cultivated for a number of years. In 1835 he sold his property in Rhea County and started for Barry County, Mo., but while on his way died at Louisburgh, Ark., of cholera. His widow, who was born in Greene County, Tenn., in 1793, came to Barry County, settling on the farm now owned by her son, William McClure. She was the mother of thirteen children, four of whom, George, William, Rebecca and Thomas, are living. She was a woman of good business qualities, and with the help of her older sons succeeded in making a good comfortable home and in educating the younger children. She died in December 1854, at the home of her son John. William remained in Arkansas until 1840, when he came to Barry County and resided with his mother, assisting in the improvement of the farm until 1846, when he married and located in Washburn, engaging in the mercantile business in partnership with

J. T. Keet. In 1847 they opened a branch store in Cassville, and Mr. McClure took charge of it. In 1850 he sold his interest to his partner, and engaged in business in his own name at Washburn, continuing until 1860, when he was elected sheriff of the county. At the beginning of the Civil War he was engaged in buying and driving horses to Louisana but was compelled to abandon the business at a heavy loss. In 1861 he and J. T. Keet purchased the Roaring River grist-mill which was destroyed during the war. In 1866 he, J. M. Durham and W. E. Trim rebuilt it, and in 1869 Mr. McClure rented his farm and removed to Roaring River and assisted in operating the mill until 1880, when he returned to his farm. He has been twice married. In 1846 he married **Sarah P. Tennant**, who was born in Hempstead County, Ark. She died July 26, 1860, having borne three children, one of whom now is living, Rev. Walter T. McClure, of the Southwest Missouri Conference. In July 1861, our subject married **Zarilda J. Gay**, a daughter of Daniel Gay, and to them have been born six children, viz:Rebecca A., wife of Dr. S. W. Chandler; Alice E., wife of J. W. George; William D.; John C.; Guy W.; and George W. All worshp at the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Mr. Mcclure is a charter member of Barry County Lodge No. 367, A. F. & A. M., at Washburn.

GEORGE WASHINGTON McCLURE'S OBITUARY

George Washington McClure was born Dec. 22, 1827 and died March 9, 1907; he was 79 years old, 2 month and 17 days. He came to Evansville, Ark. in 1851 and lived there until the time of his death. He served in the Confederate Army under Gen'l. Stand Watie.

He married Sarah Ward March 2, 1856. His wife died soon after the Civil War and left two small daughters, Sarah Ruth and Alice Lee, Alice being a baby. He raised his daughters without a mother and made a success. Both daughters are members of the church. Ruth married Sam Starr and Alice, Mr. Sam West. His children and grandchildren were a great comfort to him in his old age.

We all loved Mr. McClure; he was a good man. Three years before his death, he told me he believed he was saved. He re-affirmed that faith in his last illness. He was buried in the Academy Cemetery, Evansville, Ark. Funeral service was conducted by the writer.

J. K. P. Crozier.

NATHANIEL AND JANE McCLURE

Boone County, Kentucky, Pioneers.

Nathaniel, born in Virginia in 1773
Jane (Porter) McClure, born in 1774.
Great grandparents of Mrs. John Uri **Lord** who wrote "Clasping Hands with Generations Past."

In 1795 a party of young people left Rockbridge County, Virginia to make their home in Kentucky. Nathaniel McClure only unmarried one. Within a day a romance blossomed and he fell in love with Jane Porter. Her father opposed the marriage, so they eloped. He left the caravan and turned back to Virginia. The young Lochinvar went to the home of his bride, tapped on the window, she climbed out and rode all the way to Kentucky on horse behind her husband. They were married at Lexington, Virginia, then caught up with the Kentucky calvacade. There was a Mrs. Kennedy in the party who carried a baby all the way in her lap.

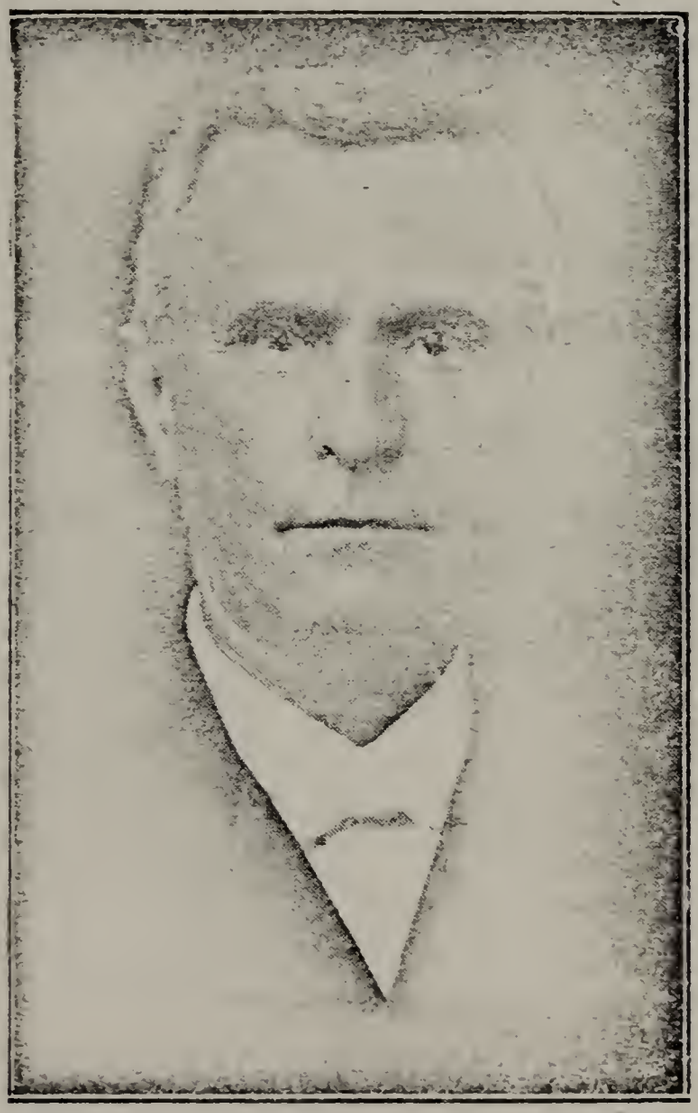
The McClures settled in Woodford County, Ky., in 1793, when they headed for the N. W. Territory, locating on Millcreek near present Cincinatti. From there, they went to Boone County, Ky., to escape malaria and sickness at Millcreek.

1799 Nat. McClure erected two log cabins on Bullock Pen Creek adjacent to a great spring which is of copious flow today. Cabin still stands within view of Lebanan cemetery. Kennedys were neighbors.

Polly and Hannah McClure, Hannah being grandmother of Mrs. John U. Lord, were members of this family.

NATHANIEL and Jane Porter, his wife, are buried in the Lebanan Hills cemetery, in Boone County, Kentucky.

Their exact relationship to our family is not yet known.



REV. WALTER TENNANT McCLURE, D. D.
1856- 1932

DR. W. T. McCLURE

Walter Tennant McClure was born in Washburn, Mo., Dec., 9, 1856. His parents were William and Paulina Tennant McClure. He graduated with the A. B. degree from Cane Hill College, Boonsboro, Ark., in 1876 and in 1878 the same institution conferred upon him the degree of master of arts. He took a correspondence course from the University of Chicago, 1894-1898, in Hebrew and Arabic, and received a certificate of graduation. In June, 1912, he received the D. D. degree from Central College.

At seventeen years of age Brother McClure was licensed to preach and in 1879 he was ordained a local deacon. For a time he taught Latin and Greek in the Neosho Collegiate Institute, and in 1882 he was admitted on trial in the Southwest Missouri Conference. In 1883 he was ordained an elder at the Conference presided over by Bishop A. W. Wilson in Boonville.

He was married to Miss Ophelia Abernathy of Cassville, Mo., in 1878. She passed away in January, 1887, and in October 1888, he was married to Miss Dora Cottey. The charges served by Dr. McClure were as follows: Nevada, 1882-1886, Lexington, 1886-1890, Jefferson City, 1890-1892,Cen-tenary, Kansas City, 1892-1893, Independence, 1893-1894, Kansas City District, 1894-1898, Boonville District, 1898-1902, St. Paul, Springfield, 1902-1906, Centenary, Nevada, 1906-1909, Kansas City District, 1909-1913, Westport, 1913-1917, Sedalia, 1917-1921, Lexington, 1921-1925 Oak Grove, 1925-1929, Blue Springs, 1929-1932.

Dr. McClure was a member of the Board of Curators of Cottey College from its organization until his death, Sept. 17, 1932. For a number of years he was a member of the General Epworth League Board and the Conference Epworth League was organized at his invitation in Jefferson City during his pastorate there. At a later date he assisted in conducting a party of Epworth Leagures, consisting of three special trains, to the International Epworth League Conference in Toronto. He was also the author of a book, "The Betrayed Trust" written primarily for Epworth Leaguers.

Dr. McClure served his conference as chairman of its Board of Missions and its Board of Finance, and was for a time a member of the General Board of Missions. He was elected to the General Conference which met in Baltimore in 1898, and for more than forty-five years was an active member of the Masonic Fraternity—A Knight Templar.

For many years Dr. McClure made it his practice to read his Greek Testament through once a year. His last sermon was preached in the church in Blue Springs, July 24, 1932.

It was Dr. McClure's desire that he might cease at once to labor and to live, and his prayer was answered, for he passed to his reward during the session of the Conference in Neosho, at which time, if he had continued to live, he would have been granted the superannuate relation. He had just completed his fiftieth year in the itinerant ministry, all of which was given to the Southwest Missouri Conference.

He was a splendid preacher, a faithful pastor, a builder of churches (Centenary, and St. Paul, Springfield), an executive of great worth to the church, and above all, a christian gentleman of irreproachable character, commanding the respect and winning the esteem of all who knew him.

We shall miss him from the councils of the church. His genial personality, his unfailing wit and his remarkable facility for turning a humorous anecdote to good account, made him a general favorite among his ministerial brethern and a center of good influence in every group where he labored.

His funeral was conducted from the church in Blue Springs and was in charge of Dr. J. E. McDonald, presiding elder of the Marshall District. Rev. F. M. Burton read the Scriptures and Dr. Eli P. Anderson of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a personal friend of the deceased, offered prayer. Dr. C. H. Briggs paid a fitting tribute to the character and work of his fallen comrade. Thirty of Dr. McClure's ministerial brethren attended the service. F. E. Dillon, C. L. Stouffer, C. B.Galates, E. I. Ailor, J. D. Robins and O. M. Rickman acted as pall bearers. The music was appropriate and full of comfort. The altar was banked with flowers whose beauty and fragrance filled the house. The atmosphere was redolent.

"Of that new life when sin shall be no more."

We laid his body to rest in the old MacPelah cemetery in Lexington. The committal service was read at the grave by Dr. Z. M. Williams.

The surviving relatives are: hs wife, Mrs. Dora McClure of Nevada, four daughters, Miss Mabel McClure of Enid, Okla.; Mrs. Maud Snare of Gretna, Neb.; Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell of Nevada and Miss Virginia McClure of Kansas City; two grandsons, Walter McClure Campbell and Arthur M. Campbell and two half brothers, William McClure of Claremore, Okla., and Charles McClure of Oklahoma City.

O. M. RICKMAN.

Harrisonville, Mo., September 19, 1932.

Mrs. W. T. McClure and Daughters
Blue Springs, Mo.
Dear Friends:

Our sympathy goes out to you in your hour of great sorrow... in this trial separation from the sweet spirit which has brightened your home.

Some of our sweetest memories cluster around the days when Bro. McClure was in our home as our presiding elder.

We love to think of him now as celebrating "The Golden Jubilee" of his fifty faithful years in the ministry with the Saints in Glory. And while we shall miss him here, we can almost hear the echo of the "Well Done" which greeted him as he entered into his great reward.

God comfort and bless you all,

Sincerely
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bryan.

Los Angeles, California, Oct. 8, 1932.

Dear Mabel:

We have just heard of the death of your father and are grieved to know that he has died. All of us loved him and I only wish that our association with him had been closer during the last years, but it was not so to be. We are so far away from the old friends and places and have been for more than thirty years, and while our hearts cling to them, we were none the less separated.

Your father was for many years my closest friend. He was my pastor when I joined the Methodist Conference. He married us and baptized our children. He seemed a very part of our lives during those old, good years that seem now to lie so far in the past, yet his going makes a void in our lives, breaks cords that bound us to those dear days that are no more. Life seems poorer to me and the life beyond the richer since he has gone.

Please give our love and sympathy to each of his family, and believe me always

Your friend,
E. P. R.

WILLIAM LIONEL McCLURE, M. D.
1893-1930

WILLIAM LIONEL McCLURE, M. D.

Dr. W. L. McClure was the genius of the family—a scholar of distinction and renown. Valedictorian of his High School Class at Lawton, Okla.; honor man at Drury College, where he took his A. B.; ranking first at the University of Illinois who granted him an A. M. in chemistry; winning his 'Medicnac Doctoris' with a 'magna cum laude' from Harvard Medical School in 1923, he proved the degree of his intelligence, winning the highest honors conferred by these institutions. And again, in the examinations required in Massachusetts of those who practice medicine in that state, he was pre-eminent in scholarship, ranking first.

After his graduation from Harvard, Dr. McClure was an interne in the Massachusetts General Hospital for two years; then appointed a House Surgeon for two more years. After completing these four years of preparatory work, Dr. McClure became an assistant to Dr. Daniel Fiske Jones, surgeon of Boston, and a partner of Dr. Leland McKittrick with offices on Beacon street.

Dr. McClure was an inventor of surgical instruments and collaborated with Dr. Jones in writing a book on surgery.

During the World War, he served with the Sanitary Corp of the U. S. A. in the South during the year 1918-1819.

Dr. McClure, son of John Charles and Rosa Adcock McClure, was born in Washburn, Mo., Aug. 3, 1893. He was killed in an automobile accident in Cambridge, Massachusetts, March 10, 1930, while on his way to perform an emergency operation in the Cambridge Hospital. A few hours after the accident, he died in Phillips House, without regaining consciousness. His death was a tragedy for which there seems to be no consolation to those who mourn his loss.

Dr. McClure was survived by his parents, two sisters, Mrs. F. E. Weller, Lawton, Okla., and Mrs. Henry Demuth, Phillipine Islands, and a brother Charles, a medical student in the University of Oklahoma.

He was a member of the following organizations:

Kappa Alpha Fraternity, Drury College
Phi Rho Sigma
Aesculapian Club, Harvard
American Medical Association
New England Medical Association.
Alpha Omega Alpha, Honorary Fraternity, Harvard Univ.
Boylston Medical Society, Harvard.

The following tributes to Dr. McClure, published at the time of his tragic death, were richly deserved and are here reprinted as an important chapter in the McClure Family History. To one who added glory to the name of McClure and laurels to the family honor, to

one so beloved, and so regretted, the fitting tribute has not been written. The pride of our family; the joy of our life; we honor you in the preservation of these tributes.

Tribute is paid to Dr. McClure, Who Died Lately.

Many Springfieldians and Drury folks of the class of '16 will appreciate the unusual tribute to a young Drury man which appeared in the Boston Transcript a few days ago. It is a memorial to Dr. William Lionel McClure, who lately died, by the head of the teaching staff of the Massachusetts General hospital, Dr. Edward P. Richardson. Dr. McClure was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McClure of Lawton, Okla., and a nephew of Mrs. J. W. Paynter and cousin of Mrs. J. W. Bates, both of Springfield. He was an honor graduate of Drury college in 1916.

Dr. Richardson wrote:

"The more closely one is associated with medical school and hospital, the more clearly one appreciates the stages of a surgical career, which otherwise are in part not seen, or telescoped together and blurred as a memory of personal experience. In Dr. McClure one can remember the keen student, the competent interne in the wards of the hospital, the resident surgeon more than adequate in increasing responsibilities, and finally the junior member of the staff fit to deal with greater tasks than can be assigned under hospital routine. Or he can be looked upon from the viewpoint of selection and elimination: a graduate receiving a degree with the highest honors in the power of the Harvard Medical School, the interne chosen at the head of the list, and the one picked from among the internes for two further years of resident training. As a back-ground there are the infinite number of decisions increasing in complexity, the hours of assisting day after day for months and years, until reaction to the unexpected becomes almost automatic and finally the increasing sureness as surgeon alone responsible. We see a man simple and direct, keenly interested and intellectually honest, for whom his colleagues felt something deeper than affection. His loss the Massachusetts General hospital shares with the community—how wide in this instance no one can say. We know that a young eagle, fully plumed, has gone.— E. P. R.

From Harvard Medical School Alumni Bulletin:

Dr. William L. McClure entered Harvard Medical School in 1919 to begin his chosen work. He came, as do many each year, a stranger from a distant part of the country, to make new friends under rather exacting conditions. Possibly the true measure of his success has been denied us. If, however, one may measure success by health of body and mind, by joy of accomplishment midst a host of admiring

friends and patients, none greater could come to any man, than had already come to him.

Possibly the principal of the small high school of Lawton, Okla., might have forseen the valedictorian of the class of 1912, graduated four years later from Drury College, Springfield, Mo., with a 'summa cum laude' after his A. B. degree. Possibly, too, he might have foreseen a master's degree from the University of Illinois three years later, in spite of a year in the Sanitary Corps of the United States Army. Even his "Medicinac Doctoris" with its magna cum laude from Harvard was to be expected. He was gratified but not surprised to hear that his former student had led his classmates in the quest for an internship at the Massachussets General Hospital. Not even he however, could have foreseen a personality, the development of which would parallel so enviable a scholastic record. It was this rare association of applied intellect and unusual personality which had given Dr. McClure a unique position among his fellow men.

William Lionel McClure was born Aug. 3, 1893 at Washburn Mo., the son of John Charles and Rosa Adcock McClure. He died at the Phillips House, Boston, March 10, 1930 from a fractured skull received in an automobile accident while on his round of hospital calls. He leaves, in addition to his parents, two sisters Mira McClure Weller, Marjorie Demuth and a brother Charles.

Massachusetts General Hospital Notes

The tragic death of one of the younger surgeons of the hospital, Dr. W. L. McClure, who died after an automobile accident, March 10, 1930, brought a large number of tributes to him through the press. The following appeared in the Boston Evening Transcript. March 14, 1930: "The more closely one is associated with the Harvard Medical School and the Hospital, the more clearly one appreciates the stages of a surgical career, which otherwise are in part not seen, or telescoped together and blurred as a memory of personal experience. In Dr. McClure, one can remember the keen student, the competent interne in the wards of a hospital, the resident surgeon more than adequate to increasing responsibilities and finally the junior member of the staff fit to deal with greater tasks than can be assigned under hospital routine. Or he can be looked upon from the viewpoint of selection and elimination; a graduate receiving a degree with the highest honor of the Harvard Medical School, the interne chosen at the head of the list, and the one picked from among the internes for two further years of resident training. As a background there are the infinite number of decisions increasing in complexity, the hours of assisting day after day for months and years, until reaction to the unexpected becomes almost automatic, and finally the increasing sureness as a surgeon alone responsible.

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From the New England Journal of Medicine.

A Tribute from Dr. Wyman Richardson.

"The sudden death of William Lionel McClure leaves an empty space that never can be filled. He has been taken from us just as he was well on his way to the greatest things in our profession. Clean-cut in feature as in thought, an indefatigable worker who at the end of a long tiring day, knew how to laugh, perhaps at himself; sound in judgment, always thoughtful of others; always willing to do more than his share, generous to a fault, decisive, skillful, brilliant; surely, had he been spared he would have reached the very highest peak of his profession.

This world is a better place for his having been in it. I consider myself lucky to have known him as a friend."

William Lionel McClure, M. D.

Ed. Thompson, editor and publisher of the News-Leader, Ozark, Mo., writes the following about Dr. Lionel McClure, Drury College Alumni, who was killed recently in Boston.

Here's what happened during the last seventeen years in the life of one young man, who among my acquaintances was without an intellectual peer; four years in Drury College, Springfield, Mo., where he was the honor student of his class and president of the student body, not to mention the editorship of the college annual and the presidency of his fraternity besides other offices.

Later in government service during the World War; still later, the graduate receiving a degree with the highest honors in the power of the Harvard Medical School to bestow. Later at the Massachussetts General Hospital as interne, chosen from a long list, and after that, he was chosen again from among the internes to serve two further years for resident work. Finally a junior member of the staff of the Massachussetts General Hospital to deal with the most delicate surgical tasks—and just when his long surgical training was over, this young, promising young doctor was killed in an automobile accident in Boston.

As the Boston Transcript puts it, we know, "That a young eagle, fully plumed, has gone."

DANIEL KENNEDY

The D. A. R. Lineage Book v. 91; p. 313 and v. 110; p. 170 give this data concerning Daniel Kennedy:

Daniel Kennedy was born in 1744 in North Carolina; he died in Tennessee in 1802. He married Margaret Hughes in 1875; She was born in 1750 and died in 1800.

From Williams State of Franklin p. 299-301

Daniel Kennedy was born in 1850; died in 1902. He was a King's Mountain Soldier, serving with Col. Sevier's regiment in the Immortal Victory of King's Mountain. A monument has been erected to him six miles from Greeneville, Tennessee.

The following letter from Mrs. C. C. Burgner of Chatanooga, Tenn., gives much information concerning the Daniel Kennedy family.

Miss Mabel McClure,
Enid, Okla.,
Dear Miss McClure:

Your letter of the 23rd just received as I was in Greeneville during the holidays. I may have some more Kennedy information but just now this is all I have found in my files. Goodspeeds History of Tennessee with a section for Greene County gives some history of Col. Kennedy. The book was published about 1887. My copy is in Greeneville but you may have access to one.

I made a copy of all the early marriage bonds and licenses and so that is where I found some of the names of the children. Then too, I found some Bills of Sale following his death. Names of children, their husbands or wives and in some cases, grandchildren were mentioned.

Daniel Kennedy was Clerk of the Court for many years and at the time of his death. At a sale, his wife, Margaret, bought two Bibles, and two testaments. One record Mrs. Bradley found said that Daniel was born in Scotland and that his wife Margaret was born in Wales. Mrs. Bradley, who is quite old now, lives at 421 N. E. 24th St., Miami, Florida. (Mrs. Robert H. Bradley)

I hope the information I am sending will help you but this is the first work I have done of this kind since 1920, so I do feel rusty though what I have given you is accurate and came from the files. I regret very much to tell you that as I am not a Kennedy descendant we are not relatives. However you are entitled to a Bar in the D. A. R. on the Kennedy line. I am a member of the D. A. R. but I went

on the Landrum line. My lines are Howard, Headrick, Hall, Hale, Hill, Roberts and Dulaney.

I will close hoping that I have helped you. I hope to see a copy of your McClure History when finished.

The Kennedy's came to Greene County, Tenn., early. In fact at that time it was a part of North Carolina. Daniel Kennedy was clerk of the Court during four forms of government. (State of N. C., State of Franklin, Territory South of the Ohio, and the State of Tennesee.) In 1918 when searching the records I found marriage licenses, and bonds signed by him during each of the above governments.

Daniel Kennedy settled on Camp Creek, near the Nollichuckey River, and had his forge, parts of which could be seen a few years ago. In 1887, when John Sevier's body was brought to Knoxville, Tenn., and placed in the courthouse yard an article was published in the Greene County paper, by a man named Cox, under the pen name of Rex LeRoy, calling on the people of East Tennessee, to rise up and give due honor to Daniel Kennedy, who worked and fought side by side with Sevier. The article was dated Feb. 21, 1887.

At the time of the breaking out of the Indian Wars, Daniel Kennedy was a young man. In 1774 he went as a volunteer with Capt. Evan Shelby to Kentucky to fight the Indians. Again he fought the Cherokees in 1776. In 1780 he went with Shelby and Sevier to Sycamore Shoals, on the Watauga River. He was a Lieutenant in Col. Sevier's Regiment, in the Immortal Victory of Kings Mountain.

Col. Kennedy was born about 1750. He was married prior to Oct. 20, 1775, as that is the date of the birth of his first child. He died Sept. 15, 1802. (According to records given me by a member of his family.)

Record of children and marriages:

1. John Kennedy, married Patience Davis
2. Thomas Kennedy, married Esther Penny
3. William Kennedy
4. Daniel, petitioned the Court for a division of the property
5. George W. Kennedy
6. Allan Kennedy (Daniel's wife was supposed to have been a Miss Allan, hence the name Allan and the spelling)
7. Sarah Kenedy, married Stephen Alexander

8. Mary Kennedy, married Daniel Rawlins
9. ————, married Resin Rawlins
10. Elizabeth (Bettie) Kennedy, married James Bailey
11. Margaret Kennedy, married John Ewing McClure
12. ———, married, ——— Blackburn.

No other mention is made of George W. Daniel and Allan. According to the records Daniel Kennedy married his cousin Margaret. Some of the Alexander's think he married Margaret Hughes. John's son, James, married a Christina Hughes in 1823, so some may have those two mixed.

On a farm owned by Judge Harmon, of Greeneville, Tenn., (at a place called Mt. Zion) is a marker to Col. Daniel Kennedy. This was erected by subscription from all of the known heirs about 1920, or 1921. Oct. 1920 was the original date set for the dedication. I was living in Louisana at the time so do not recall the exact date. This was started by Mrs. Ida Hughes Bradley of Indianapolis and Marion Kennedy of Pulaski, Tenn. I had a book saying he was a Brig. Gen., but no proof could be found in Washington so the marker reads Colonel.

Daniel Kennedy died of blood poison received from hitting his hand with a hammer at the Forge.

He was a member of Greeneville Lodge No. 3, A. F. & A. M. He captured a sword from the British at Kings Mountain which was purchased from his son John Kennedy for $14.00, by the Greeneville Lodge and is in use by the Tyler today. This is in the minutes of the Lodge. During the Civil War this sword was taken out by one Nathan Dodd and carried. After the war he returned it.

I am not a descendant of Daniel Kennedy but at the time they were working on the subscription to the monument for him I was located in Greeneville and was doing quite a bit of work on the early records. Mrs. Bradley was a friend of mine so I made copies of everything that I thought might interest her. She is a descendant of John Kennedy who married Patience Davis, and their son James who married Christina Hughes. I searched records for the Hughes line too so feel that I did know much about the Kennedys.

My father, who was born in 1856, knew the younger Kennedys so he was very helpful to us.

The biographical appendix of Goodspeed's "History of Tennessee". Greene County, contains no sketch of Daniel Kennedy. In the county historical sketch, Greene County, we find a statement "Daniel Kennedy came in 1779 and located on the river four miles east of

Greenville at the mouth of Holley Creek. He was one of the most prominent pioneers of the state and deserves to rank with Sevier, Shelby and Cocke. He was chosen clerk of the County Court under the organization of the county and continued to hold it under four successive changes of government, a sufficient proof of his integrity and worth. He was an ardent supporter of the state of Franklin, and was an active participant in the conventions which founded it. He was also elected Brigadier-General of the Franklin militia."

Kennedy's name appears in a number of places in this sketch of Greene County but the above paragraph contains all of the essential information.

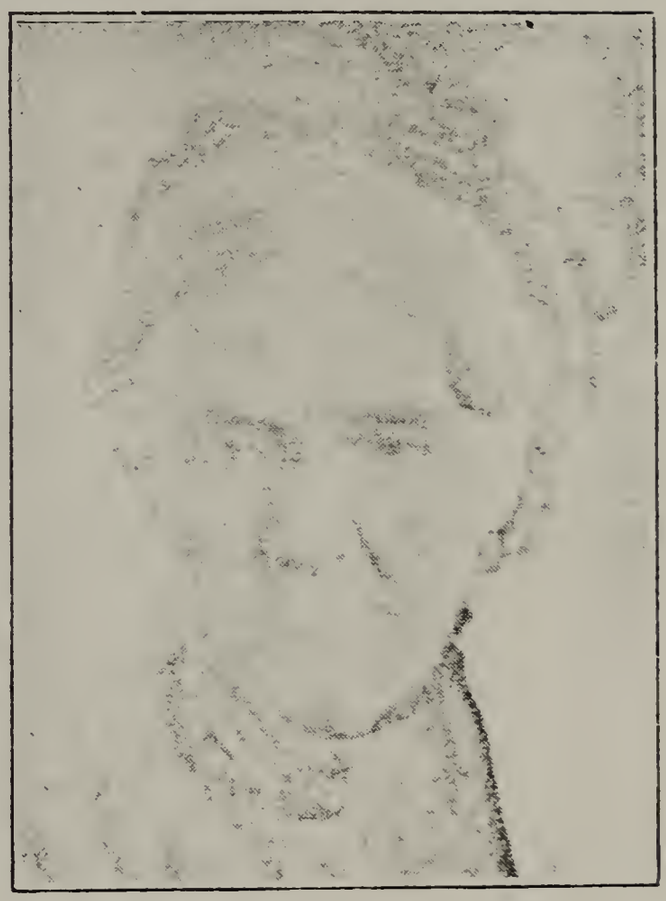
Sincerely yours,
Imogen Howard Burgner (Mrs. C. C.)

MRS. ELY PAXSON
(Belle Keet)

FIVE McCLURE BROTHERS,

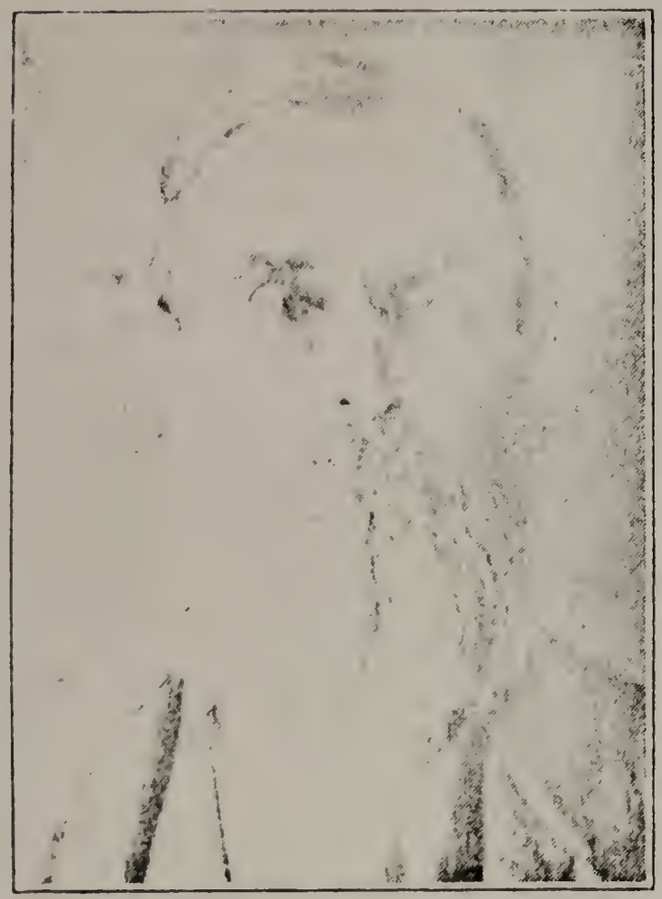
Sons of John Ewing and Margaret Kennedy McClure

EWING McCLURE
1815-1885

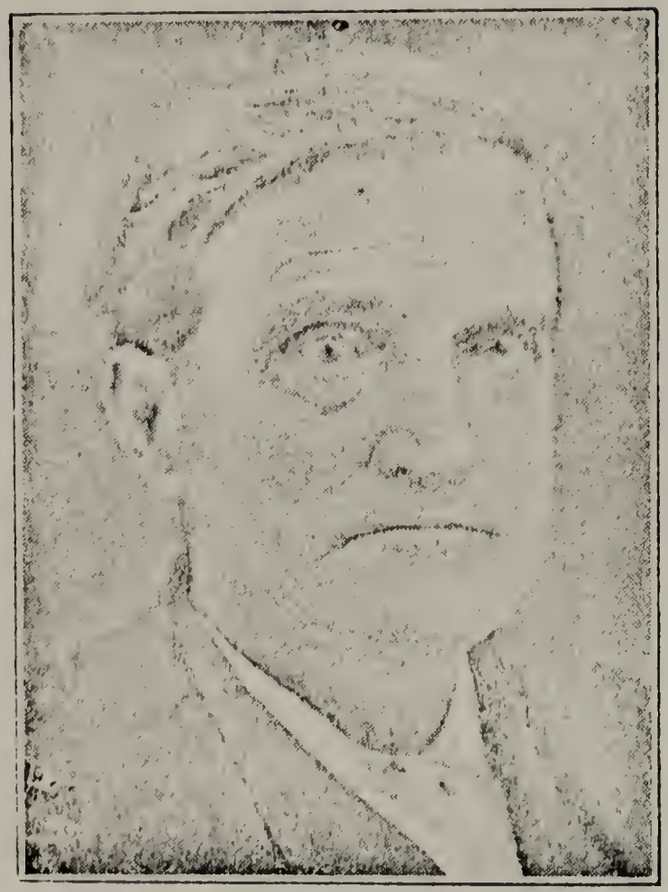


MRS. EWING McCLURE
(Elizabeth McClellan)

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS JEFFERSON McCLURE.
1834-1916 (America Rowland Martin)



WILLIAM McCLURE
1819-1896



GEORGE WASHINGTON McCLURE
1827-1907

DANIEL KENNEDY McCLURE
1812-1876

THE McCLURE CLAN

Genealogy of the S. W. Missouri Branch

Compiled by Mabel B. McClure

JOHN McCLURE

Was born in Scotland and emigrated to Ireland during a religious uprising in Scotland. In a Genealogy of the McClure family, there is a record of a MARTIN McCLURE, who lived in Balmaghil in Kirkcudbrightshire about 1750; he is buried there. He had five sons; 1, William; 2, JOHN; 3, David; 4, Robert; 5, Andrew; all of whom came south. While the fact has not been definitely established, this Martin McClure is in all probability the father of our John McClure. The names of his brothers are the same names given his sons.

John McClure married Rebecca Ewing, born in Ireland and in 1790 they emigrated to America. Their children's names are:

1. James (Jim)
2. William (Billie)
3. Robert (Bob)
4. JOHN EWING
5. Nancy
6. Mary (Polly)

On their arrival in America, they first settled near Baltimore, Maryland. Later they went to Virginia, settling near Lynchburg. From there they went to Washington County, Tennessee and located near Doakes College.

JOHN EWING McCLURE, 1790-1835.

Was born in the vicinity of Baltimore, Maryland, three months after his parents arrived in this country from Ireland. Shortly after his birth, his parents moved to Lynchburg, Va., where they lived until John grew to manhood.

In 1811, John married MARGARET ANN KENNEDY and located in Greenville, Tennessee, where he took charge of the Iron works of his father-in-law, Daniel Kenedy. After a few years, he moved to Rhea County, Tennessee, and settled on a farm which he cultivated for many years. In 1835, he sold this farm, planning to move to Barry County, Missouri. He went down the Tennessee River and the Mississippi, to Louisburg, Arkansas, where his family and party were stricken with cholera. He died there, age 45.

His wife, Margaret K. McClure, completed the journey to Barry

County, Missouri, and with the help of the older sons, she made a comfortable home for her children and educated them. She was a woman of unusual business ability.

Margaret Kennedy was born in Greene County, Tenn., in 1793. She died in Barry County, Mo., Dec. 1854, at the home of her son, John.

She is buried in cemetery at Washburn, Mo.

Margaret Kennedy was the daughter of Daniel Kennedy.

The father, Daniel Kennedy, was killed at the Iron works which he owned, a hammer falling on him and crushing him. The Kennedy Iron works were located on the banks of the Chuckey River, in Greene County, Tennessee. Daniel Kennedy was born in 1744 in North Carolina; died 1802 in Tenn.; He married Margaret Hughes (1752-1800).

The Kennedy children's names were:

1. John Kennedy, married Patience Davis
2. Tom Kennedy, married Esther Penny
3. William Kennedy
4. Daniel Kennedy
5. Allen Kennedy
6. George Kennedy
7. Sarah Kennedy, married Stephen Alexander
8. Bettie Kennedy, married James Bailey
9. Margaret Ann Kennedy (Polly), mar. John E. McClure

(This information was given by John Charles McClure, Oklahoma City.)

John Ewing McClure and Margaret Ann Kennedy were the parents of 13 children, only nine of whom survived. Their names were:

1. Daniel Kennedy McClure
2. Ewing McClure
3. Allen McClure
4. William McClure
5. Rebecca McClure
6. John McClure
7. George Washington McClure
8. Thomas Jefferson McClure
9. Pollyanna McClure

A DANIEL KENNEDY McCLURE

born in Virginia, August 21, 1812
died June 5, 1876, in Missouri
married Abbie Hamilton (Widow Henderson)

By her first husband she had two sons:
Robert and Charles Henderson.
By her second marriage: 1 daughter, Margaret McClure, who married James Davidson and went west to live in 1876; also had three sons who died in early childhood.

B EWING McCLURE—Banker, Cane Hill, Arkansas
born in Virginia October 19, 1815
died in Cane Hill, Ark., August 17, 1885
married Elizabeth McClellan
no children.

C. ALLEN McCLURE
born in Tennessee April 4, 1817
died February 6, 1874
unmarried.

D WILLIAM McCLURE, 1819-1896

Fourth son of John Ewing and Margaret McClure; was born in Greene County, Tennessee, Oct. 8, 1819. He came with his father on his ill fated trip to Louisburg, Arkansas and remained there for five years. In 1840, he joined his mother on her farm near Washburn. There he lived until January 1846, when he married Sara Paulina Tennant and moved to Washburn, engaging in the mercantile business. In 1847, he opened a branch store at Cassville, Missouri, with T. J. Keet, of Springfield, Mo. as his partner. In 1850, he sold out to his partner. At the beginning of the Civil War, he was engaged in buying and selling horses, driving them to the state of Louisana for sale. In 1861, he purchased the mill at Roaring River with J. M. Durham and W. E. Trim. They operated the mill until 1880, when he sold out and returned to his farm near Washburn, Mo., and lived there until his death which occurred February 6, 1895. He, his wives, Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. George are buried in the Washburn cemetery.

First Wife: SARAH PAULINA TENNANT, daughter of Rev. T. H. Tennant and Christeen Hacker Tennant.
born January 5, 1826
died July 26, 1860
married January 1, 1846
three children.

1. EDNA BYRON:
born 1846
died October 5, 1885
married Anderson Salmon, Nov. 16, 1870
4 children:

1. Effie Paulina, born Nov. 6, 1872
2. Walter Audley, born Aug. 13, 1875
   died, Nov. 22,1881.
3. John McClure, Engineer and Bridge Builder L. & N. R. R., Louisville, Kentucky
   born June 3, 1878
   married Elizabeth Woods, Nov. 1902
   2 sons:
   1. John McClure
   2. Gordon
4. Ina, born January 1, 1880
   married Joshua Reeves, Shawnee, Okla.,June 5, 1907
   3 children:
   1. Helen
   2. Francis Raymond
   3. William McClure
   Anderson Salmon died July 12, 1926.

2. REV. WALTER TENNANT McCLURE:
born December 9, 1856, Washburn, Mo.
died September 17, 1932, Bllue Springs, Mo.
buried in Lexington, Mo.
Fifty years a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Built St. Paul's Church in Springfield, Mo. Centenary, Nevada, Mo.; Remodeled Westport Church in Kansas City, Mo. Served important charges in Kansas City district for 25 years.
Twice married:

First Wife: Ophelia Abernathy
born Aug. 24, 1858
died Jan. 21, 1887
married August 26, 1878
4 daughters:
1. Mabel Byron, Librarian
   born December 28, 1880
2. Ethel Jane
   born June 15, 1882
   died June 27, 1904
   buried Lexington, Mo.
3. Maud Mira
   born Nov. 27, 1885
   married Harry Snare, June 13, 1914, Gretna, Nebr.
4. Edna Ophelia
   born Jan. 15, 1887
   died in infancy.

Second wife: Ella Medora Cottey

born Feb. 12, 1860, Knox County, Mo.
married Oct. 17, 1889 in Nevada, Mo.
3 daughters:

1. Anna Kate
   born Aug. 5, 1890
   died Aug. 14, 1897
2. Elizabeth Paulina:
   born Nov. 29, 1891
   A. B. Univ. Missouri; A. M. Univ. Colorado
   married Rev. Arthur M. Campbell, Oct. 12, 1918. He was born in St. Louis, Mo., July 31,1891. Died in Cincinatti, Ohio, Feb. 12, 1922. He was a Presbyterian minister. Buried in St. Louis, Mo.
   2 sons:
   1. Walter McClure Campbell
   born October 20, 1920, Sedalia, Mo.
   2. Arthur Morrow Campbell
   born April 4, 1922, Lexington, Mo.
3. Virginia Alice
   born May 17, 1898, Independence, Mo.
   A. B. Univ Missouri; A. M. Univ. Colorado; Phi Mu Sorority; P. E. O.; A. A. U. W; head of Latin department East High School, Kansas City, Mo.

3. LAFAYETTE
   born July, 1860, died in infancy.

William McClure's second wife: JANE GAY:
born February 12, 1840
died Nov. 24, 1919
married July 18, 1861
Daughter of Daniel Gay and Jane Miller Gay, born February 22, 1800, died February 18, 1865; buried in Confederate Cemetery in Springfield, Mo., Daniel Gay went to California in 1857 and never returned.
6 children:

1. REBECCA McCLURE CHANDLER:
   born July 6, 1862, Washburn, Mo.
   died Feb. 14, 1926, Cassville, Mo.
   married Dr. Samuel Wilson Chandler, M. D., Dec. 29, 1885.
   (He was born July 18, 1858)
   4 children:
   1. Charles Chandler— Banker, Cassville, Mo.
      A. B. Drury College; K. A. fraternity

born March 13, 1887
married Ella Griffin, Oct. 11, 1911
2 children:
1. Charles C., Jr.
2. Frances

2. Nadine, died in infancy
3. Lois Chandler
born June 20, 1894
married George Griffin, January 27, 1916
1 son, Chandler, live in Seattle, Wash.
4. Joe, died in infancy.

2. ALICE McCLURE GEORGE:
born July 30, 1864, Barry County, Mo.
died November 1904, Cassville, Mo.
married James W. George, Lawyer
3 children
1. Larry, Engineer, Kansas City, Mo.
born Aug. 28, 1887
2. Florence Jane, stenographer
born November 26, 1894
3. Mary'O,
born Nov. 10, 1903
married Morris Funk, Oct. 6, 1929.

3. WILLIAM DURHAM, Druggist, Tulsa, Claremore, Okla.
born August 23, 1867, Barry County, Mo.
married Sallie Bryan, June 2, 1897, Cassville, Mo.
born July 3, 1870;
died July 25, 1925
no children.

4. JOHN CHARLES McCLURE, Banker, Lawton, Okla.
born December 18, 1869, Barry County, Mo., Roaring River
married Dec. 14, 1892, Rosa Adcock, born April 5, 1876
4 children:
1. William Lionel, Surgeon, Boston, Mass.
born August 3, 1893. Killed in automobile accident
Boston, March 10, 1930
A. B. Drury College, Springfield, Mo.
A. M. Illinois University
M. D. Harvard University, 1921
unmarried.
Buried in Maple Park Cemetery, Springfield, Mo.
2. Mira McClure Weller
born June 28, 1896

married F. E. Weller, Banker, Lawton, Okla., Nov. 9, 1930

3. Marjorie McClure Demuth
born Sept. 19, 1900
married Capt. Henry Demuth, U. S. A. July 13, 1925

4. Charles (Bill)
A. B. Oklahoma University; K. A.
born September 12, 1909, Harrison, Arkansas
Medical student Oklahoma University, 1932

5. GUY WRIGHT McCLURE, Pharmacist
Salesman for Meyer Bros. Drug Co. St. Louis
Oil Business, Tulsa, Okla., Insurance Business, Springfield, Missouri

born Dec. 28, 1872 in Barry County, Mo., at Roaring River
died March 13, 1932 in Springfield, Mo.
buried in Maple Park Cemetery, Springfield, Mo.
married Lucy Black, Dec. 19, 1894 in Cassville, Mo,
(she was born May 22, 1875.)
2 children:

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1. Alleene
born Sept. 25, 1895.
A. B. Drury, College, 1918; Pi Phi.
married John Windsor Bates, Dec. 10, 1918.
born Oct. 6, 1886.
1 daughter, Mary Louise, born March 6, 1927.

2. William Wilson; Oil Business, Tulsa, Okla.
born July 18, 1898.
married Sara Hickerson Murry, Oct. 20, 1925
born Aug. 4, 1902.

6. GEORGE WHITE McCLURE, M. D., Rush Medical College, Chicago. Surgeon, practiced in Joplin, Webb City, Carterville, Mo. Head of Springfield, Mo., Hospital.
Born in 1877, Barry County, Mo., Roaring River.
Died Feb. 17, 1913; buried in Maple Park Cemetery, Springfield, Mo.
married Callie Boozier
1 son, Paul White, born Aug. 1906, is a musician and lives in Berkeley, California.

E REBECCA McCLURE
born Dec. 15, 1821 in Tennessee; unmarried
died and buried in Evansville, Ark., Oct. 16, 1899.

F JOHN McCLURE
born Dec. 22, 1824 in Tennessee; unmarried.
died in Barry County, Mo., Dec. 10, 1858.

G GEORGE WASHINGTON McCLURE
merchant in Evansville, Ark. from 1851-1907
born in Tennessee Dec. 22, 1827
died in Evansville, Ark., on March 9, 1907.
He served in the Confederate Army under General Stand Watie.
married Sarah A. Ward, March 2, 1856.
born March 19, 1838 in Cherokee Nation
died Feb. 25, 1866 in Arkansas.
3 daughters:

1. Margaret McClure:
   born Nov. 20, 1856.
   died March 17, 1857.
2. Sarah Ruth:
   born Feb. 9, 1861.
   married Sam Starr, Stillwater, Okla., Sept. 2, 1883.
   4 children:
   1. George E. Starr, born May 9, 1884.
      married Oma Briggs, (born Nov. 28, 1887.) Jan. 7, 1906
      4 children:
      1. Lucile, born April 2, 1909.
      2. Reba, born Nov. 17, 1912.
      3. Rep. born Sept. 13, 1915.
      4. Kahleetah, born April 29, 1919.
   2. Martin C. Starr, born Dec. 26, 1885, married Lottie McBrien (born Jan. 20, 1885) April 3, 1910.
      4 children:
      1. Juanita, born July 23, 1911.
      2. Sam Dick, born June 13, 1914.
      3. Denton McClure, born Jan. 28, 1924.
      4. Colbert, Jr., born June 17, 1926.
   3. Lenora, born Sept. 1, 1892, diedAug. 29. 1896.
   4. Samuel J. Starr, Jr., born Jan. 25, 1896, married Mattie Brown (born Sept. 12, 1900) on January 8, 1922
      1 son, Jack, born April 17, 1924.
3. Alice Lee:
   born Nov. 1, 1865
   died March 30, 1930
   married Sam West, Oct. 16, 1889.
   4 children:

married Clarence Blakemore (born Aug. 27, 1887) Dec. 29, 1912

1. Kinney West:
   born August 3, 1890.
   died June 4, 1918
   2 children:
   1. McClure, born March 10, 1914
   2. Sammie born June 1, 1917.
2. James West:
   born July 30, 1892
   married Maud Bacon (born June 18, 1892) Oct. 16, 1910
   4 children:
   1. Edgar, born July 18, 1911, married Lillian Worley (born July 15, 1911) Oct. 16, 1932
   2. Kinney, born Sept. 2, 1914
   3. Vera, born June 25, 1918
   4. John, born Jan. 18, 1920
3. August West:
   born Aug. 28, 1894, married Buna McCaleb (born Dec. 7, 1898)
   4 children:
   1. Welford, born Oct. 12, 1917
   2. Datha, born Feb. 3, 1923
   3. Bobby, born Jan. 24, 1926
   4. Curtis, born Oct. 28, 1931.
4. Ella R.:
   born Sept. 1, 1897
   died Jan. 5, 1901.

H THOMAS JEFFERSON McCLURE. Farmer, Exeter, Mo.
born in Tennessee May 28, 1834.
died in Exeter, Mo., Jan. 22, 1916.
He enlisted in the Confederate Army in 1862, Company C., Eighth Missouri Regiment and was in the service until 1864. He participated in the skirmishes at Fayettville, Arkansas and the battle of Helena. He was twice married.

First Wife: ISABELLA ROWLAND, died about 1866
3 children:

1. Finis L., bachelor
2. Cordelia Paulina (Dollie)
   born March 11, 1861
   died Jan. 22, 1921
   married Denton Pitts, Monett, Mo.
   6 children.

3. Thomas Emmett
born Sept. 20, 1864
died Sept. 8, 1925
married Lela Abernathy
1 daughter, Nora, married Wear Lee.

Second Wife: America Rowland
born Nov. 2, 1833.
died March 5, 1915
married about 1867
She was the widow of Thomas Martin by whom she had no children. Sister of first wife.
4 children:
1. John P., Frisco Agent, Purdy, Mo.
born Jan. 26, 1868
married Mrs. Minnie Mosby July 11, 1917. She died Nov. 25, 1925; no children.
2. Ewing, bachelor
3. Ernest, bachelor
4. Anna, married Col. Arnold, Exeter, Mo.
1 child, Lois.

I. POLLYANNA McCLURE:
born March 28, 1830
died July 23, 1858
killed by a fall from a horse.

REV. THOS. H. TENNANT
1771-1885

THOMAS HARDESTER TENNANT

Christian Advocate, September 4, 1931.

The Rev. Thomas Hardester Tennant was born in the State of Virginia in the year 1771. He died in Washington County, Arkansas, in October 1885, having reached the advanced age of one hundred and fourteen years.

Nothing is known of his early childhood and youth. He had a limited education, but nothing is now known of his schooling, as to where and when he obtained it.

A local history says he was a great hunter of deer, a man of great strength, and that his voice in the hills would carry seven miles.

He left Virginia when he was between seventeen and twenty years of age, and came to Kentucky, where he remained for some time, and then moved to Tennessee. It was there he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal church and was licensed to preach, and presumably he was received on trial in the Tennessee Conference.

He was transferred by Bishop George to the Missouri Conference and in the fall of 1818 was appointed to the Arkansas Circuit. The Arkansas Circuit lay on both sides of the Arkansas River from Arkansas Post to Fort Smith. In the fall of 1819 he was appointed to the Pecan Point Circuit, on the Mississippi River about fifty miles above Memphis; the circuit extended to Little Rock, Ark. This was in the Black River District, and W. Stevenson was the presiding elder. From here on, dates and definite facts are wanting to the writer. I think it was while Thomas Tennant was on this circuit that he was married to Miss Christine Hacker. She owned a few slaves. One of these, a negro man, was very stubborn and unruly. Brother Tennant could not control him. But he could not free him, because the law required one freeing a slave to give bond for his good behavior. This he could not afford to do. Neither could he afford to keep him, so he sold him. Here again dates and facts are confusing. But some time after this event, charges were preferred against Brother Tennant for selling a slave, and he was expelled from the ministry. He felt that great injustice was done him in this matter, and he never asked to be reinstated.

He retired to Washington County, Arkansas, where he secured a little farm, and lived there a quiet retired life. He held family prayers, regularly without variation, every night and morning as long as he was physically able to do so. He preached occasionally as opportunity presented and took an active part yearly in the Bethlehem Camp Meeting near his home.

By his first wife he had eight children—three boys and five girls. His eldest son, John A. Tennant, was graduated from Cane Hill College in 1858 or 1859 and immediately went out west to Washington Territory where he lived a desultory life for several years. He married an Indian and finally settled in Walla Walla. He was converted in a camp meeting held near there, joining the Methodist Episcopal Church, was licensed to preach and received into their Annual Conference, and for several years filled important circuits and stations.

It was remarkable that all of Rev. Thomas Tennant's children were converted at an early age and all of them became devout Christians .

His fourth child, Paulina, married William McClure of Washburn Mo., and became the mother of three children, Edna Byron, Lafayette and Walter Tennant; the latter for forty-nine years has been a member of the Southwest Mssouri Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church South.

She was a devout, sincere Christian woman. She had very meagre educational opportunities, but she was a great reader and an earnest, persistent student to the day of her death, and she wrote some fine things for the papers in her day and among them some poems.

After the death of Grandfather Tennant's first wife, he married Mrs. Clarisa Isabel Slover. By her he had five children. One died in infancy, leaving two boys and two girls. The eldest of these is Mr. Addison C. Tennant, a farmer, in his eighty-sixth year, living at Farmington, Ark. He is a good man and true and strong in the faith of his father. To him the writer is indebted for most of the information in this sketch.

The foregoing is the final draft by Dr. Walter Tennant McClure, grandson of Thomas Tennant, of such items as he and the author have been able to secure. But something more should be said about the expulsion of Mr. Tennant.

From the beginning of organized Methodism in America the question of slavery gave the Church trouble. In the year 1800 the General Conference prohibited the traveling preachers from owning slaves when the State allowed emancipation. But there were many complications, and the agitation went on. In 1816 this law was so modified that no slaveholder could hold any official position in the Church if the State permitted him to free his slaves. But this did not set the matter at rest. In truth, we had to come to "irrepressible conflict." It was under this law that all ministers owning slaves were thereafter held responsible. The proceedings of the General Conference in 1844 in the case of Francis A. Hardin and in the case of Bishop James O. Andrew were based upon this law. So must have been the

proceedings against Thomas Tennant, by this time a local preacher; for the record shows he located in 1823.

Now the facts surrounding each of these cases were substantially the same. Each had become a slave owner by marriage; each lived in a State whose statutes, in the judgment of each, made emancipation impracticable, if not impossible. In the General Conference of 1844 the delegates from the north felt that they could do no otherwise than uphold the sentence of the Baltimore Conference, which had expelled Francis Hardin and no otherwise than depose from his office Bishop Andrew. The delegates from the South regarded this as a violation of constitutional rights, also as an attitude on slavery which would at that time have ruined our prospects for carrying on in the South. On this issue the Church was divided, and really there was nothing else to do.

As respects Thomas Tennant, Jesse Haile, an uncompromising abolitionist, was at the time his presiding elder, 1825-1829; the only time the slavery issue was ever acute in Arkansas. It must have been during this quadriennium that he was expelled. But was he ever lawfully expelled at all? According to the view of the South, no; but was in law, as he continued to be in fact, a preacher to the end of his days. Taking this view, was he not the oldest Methodist preacher that ever lived? This question we have submitted to the Christian Advocate, Nashville; to the Christian Advocate, New York; and the Methodist Recorder, London. If any reader of either of these papers knows of an older preacher, let him write Rev. Jas A. Anderson at Jonesboro, Arkansas.

GENEALOGY OF

REV. THOMAS HARDESTER TENNANT

1771-1885

and

TENNANT FAMILY GENEALOGY

By Rev. W. T. McClure
Addison Clarke Tennant
Tom J. Sallee

A. REV. THOMAS HARDISTER TENNANT
born in Virginia Oct 10, 1771;; died in Washington County, Ark. October 13, 1885 at the age of 114 years. Methodist minister and circuit rider in hills of Tennessee, S. E. Missouri, Arkansas. was twice married.

First Wife: CHRISTEEN HACKER:
born in Post of Arkansas, Nov. 28, 1800
died in 1845 in Washington County, Ark.
was married in 1821.
Nine children: Harriet, James Henry, Sarah Paulina, Mary Ann Carolina, Rev. John Alexander Tennant, William McCurry, Adalina Margaret, Miranda Jane, Christeen.

A. LINA HARRIETT TENNANT
born April 24, 1822
died Aug. 6, 1897
in 1884 married George Sallee, Exeter, Mo.
4 children:

1. Elizabeth, born Jan. 6, 1846,
2. Fannie, born Oct. 28, 1848,
   married David Talbert Aug. 17, 1873
   7 children:
   1. Alice
   2. Zuma, married Mr. Bloomer, 3 children: La Verne, Ruth, Willa;
   3. Delia
   4. Tom
   5. James, married Ada Horner; 6 children
   6. Harry

7. Rollin E., married Dorothy Johnston, 3 chil
Dorothy, Buddy (George) Ruth.

3. Tom Sallee
born Dec. 12, 1850
married Nancy K. Hale, Aug. 17, 1870

4. Jasper Sallee,
born Sept. 7, 1853
married Liza Stevens Jan. 1, 1873.

B. JAMES HENRY:
born Feb. 10, 1824
died May, 1855 in Texas
unmarried

C. SARAH PAULINA:
born Jan. 5, 1826
died July 26, 1860
married William McClure, Barry County, Mo., Jan. 1, 1846.
3 children:

1. Edna Byron, married Anderson Salmon,
4 children:
1. Effie, unmarried
2. Walter Audley, died young
3. John McClure, bridge builder, Louisville, Ky.
married Elizabeth Woods
2 sons: John McClure, Gordon
4. Ina, married J. Reeves, Shawnee, Okla.,
3 children: Helen, Raymond, William McClure.

2. LaFayette, died in infancy.

3. REV. WALTER TENNANT McCLURE
born Dec. 9, 1856
died Sept. 17, 1932
50 years a Methodist minister in S. W. Mo. Conference. Buried in Lexington, Mo. Twice married; First wife, Ophelia Abernathy, born Aug. 24,1858
died Jan. 26, 1887
married August 26, 1878; 4 daughters:
1. Mabel Byron McClure, unmarried
2. Ethel Jane, born, June 15, 1882
died June 27, 1905
3. Maude Mira, married Harry Snare
June 13, 1914
4. Edna Ophelia, died in infancy

Second wife: Ella Medora Cottey, born Feb. 12, 1860
married Oct. 17, 1889
3 daughters:

1. Anna Kate, born Aug. 5, 1890; died 1897; age 7
2. Elizabeth Paulina, married Rev. Arthur Campbell, died during world war
   2 sons: 1. Walter McClure, 2. Arthur Morrow
3. Virginia Alice, Latin teacher, East High School Kansas City, Mo.

D. MARY ANN CAROLINA:
born Dec. 26, 1827
died July 21, 1868
married Jim Keet, Springfield, Mo.
3 children:

1. Belle, married Ely Paxson
2. Emma, died at age of 18
3. Charles, married Emma Fellows.

E. REV. JOHN ALEXANDER TENNANT:
born Sept. 6, 1830
died Feb. 12, 1893, Lynden, Wash
Graduated from Cane Hill, Ark. College in 1859 and went to Washington Ter. as bridge builder and civil engineer. Later was a Methodist minister and held important charges in Washington. Married daughter of Chief of Lummi Tribe of Indians and had 2 sons, both of whom died in their teen age.

F. WILLIAM McCURRY
born Sept, 10, 1832; died in infancy.

G. ADALINA MARGARET
born Oct. 26, 1835
died—?
married three times
First husband: John Pyatt, of Arkansas
Second husband: George Buchanan, Oswego, Kansas
2 children: 1. Eva, 2. Henry
Third husband; Mr. Bates, Lynden, Wash.

H. MIRANDA JANE
born July 16, 1838,
married Andy Pyatt; lived in Texas
6 children: 1. Christeen; 2. Boyd; 3. William; 4. Edward; 5. Lela; 6. Charles.

I. CHRISTEEN:
born Sept. 28, 1840; died in infancy.

Second wife of REV. T. H. TENNANT was

CLARISA ISABEL WHITE; widow Clover, Irish descent.
born about 1811
died Dec. 26, 1891, at age of 80 years
4 Tennant children:

J. ADDISON CLARK TENNANT
born in Washington County, Ark., Jan. 14, 1846
living in Farmington County, Ark., Oct. 1933
married May 19, 1872, Mary Ellen Gray, born June 6, 1848; died Jan. 7, 1929. She was the daughter of Sanford Folly Gray and Elizabeth Gray, originally from Obion County, Tennessee. 8 children:

1. Fanny Alice, married Robert Garrison
   1 son, Edward, Spokane, Wash.
2. Eva Ann, unmarried
3. Mary Edna, married Walter Carl, Hooker, Okla.
4. Clara Gray, died in 1919
5. Elizabeth Ellen, married Cecil Shafer, Ark.
6. James Hugh, married Lilly Carter, Fullerton, California: 1 daughter: Doris.
7. Thomas Sanford, married
8. Walter Henry, unmarried.

K. THOMAS SANFORD TENNANT
born in 1848
married Tabitha West; 10 children
1. Anna: 2. Delia; 3. Cornelia; 4. Mary; 5. John; 6. Henry; 7. Hugh; 8. Lacy, died in infancy; 9. Fred; 10. Pleasant.

L. HENRIETTA JOSEPHINE (Aunt Nettie)
born in 1851
died 1897
married Peter Pyatt
3 sons: 1. Hugh, 2. Roscoe, 3. Elmer; all of Needles, Calif.

M. ALVA WHITE
born 1853
living 1933
married Mr. Black; lived in Merkel, Texas
no children

Names and dates for this genealogy were supplied by J. T. Sallee,

Monett, Mo., from the Family Bible of Harriet Tennant Sallee.

Will appreciate correction of any errors, or supplying of dates of births and deaths that are not included.

TWO POEMS OF PAULINA TENNANT McCLURE

LINES TO A MOTHER ON THE DEATH OF HER SON

Thou weepest, childless mother,
Ay, weep, 'twill ease thine heart;
He was thy first born son,
Thy first, thy lovely one;
'Tis hard from him to part!

'Tis hard to lay thy darling
Deep in the damp, cold earth,
His vacant chair to see.
His silent nursery,
Once gladsome with his mirth.

To meet again in slumber,
His dear mouth's rosy lips;
Then wakened with a start,
By thine own throbbing heart,
His twining arms to miss!

To feel (half conscious why)
A dull heart-sinking weight,
'Till memory on thy soul,
Flashes the painful whole,
That thou are desolate!

And then to lie and weep,
And think the live-long night,
(Feeding thine own distress,
With accurate greediness.)
Of every past delight.

Of all his winning ways,
His pretty, playful smiles,
His joy at sight of thee,
His tricks, his mimickry,
And all his little wiles!

Oh! there are recollections
Round mother's heart to cling;
That mingle with the tears,
And smiles of after years,
With soft awakening.

But thou wilt then, fond mother!
In after years look back,
Time brings such wondrous easing,
With sadness, not unpleasing,
E'en on this gloomy track.

Thou'll say: My first-born blessing,
It almost broke my heart,
When thou wert forced to go;
And yet, for thee, I knew,
'Twas better to depart.

God took thee in His mercy,
A lamb, untasked, untried;
He fought the fight for thee,
He won the victory,
And thou art sanctified.

I look around and see,
The evil ways of men;
And oh! beloved child!
I'm more than reconciled
To thy departure then.

The little arms that clasped me,
The innocent lips that pressed,
Would they have been so pure
'Till now, as when of yore,
I lulled thee on my breast?"

From Paulina McClure
To Mary A. C. Keet

Why should I weep to leave the vine
Whose clusters oe'r me bend?
Thy myrtle, let me call it mine,
The flowers I love to tend.

A thousand thoughts of all things dear
Like shadows o'er me sweep,

I leave my little children here,
  But wherefore should I weep?

I leave thee sister; we have played
  These many a pleasant hour
'Neath silvery groves and olive shades
  And holy happy bowers.

Yes, thou and I, by streams and shore
  In song and prayer and sleep
Have been as we shall be no more;
  But wherefore should I weep?

Mother, I know thy wounded breast
  Will ope its fount of woe,
But I shall gain the pilgrim's rest,
  Dear mother, let me go.

Weep not for me, my husband dear,
  I go to realms of Love
Still serve the Lord with humble fear
  Till we meet above.

Paulina Tennant was the wife of William McClure, and mother of Rev. W. T. McClure. This poem was written a short time before her death.

INTERVIEW WITH THOMAS SALLEE OF EXETER, MO.

February 15,1931

J. T. Sallee was born in Washington County, Arkansas, December 12, 1850, twelve miles southwest of Fayetteville, near Dutch Mills.

He came to Barry County with his parents in 1854 and has lived on the farm northwest of Exeter, which he still owns, for seventy years. The farm was purchased from the govenrment by his father, George B. Sallee, for $1.25 per acre and the deed was signed by James Buchannan, then President of the United States.

The place was settled by a squatter by the name of Wade at the time and Mr. Sallee bought the improvements from him for $50.00. There were a few acres in cultivation at the time and the buildings consisted of two log rooms, 16x20, with a 10-foot entry between them. There was a stick and clay chimney in each building. The family wove home-made clothing. The women carded, spun and wove the cloth and made the clothing for the family. They made most of their wearing apparel of wool but they also made considerable cotton cloth. The cotton was grown on the farm and seeded by hand and carded and spun by the women.

The men and boys were dressed up when they had a new suit of blue jeans cloth and the girls were very proud when dressed in their new striped linsey dresses.

The shoes were made in the home from leather tanned by an old negro named Hick, whose tan yard was located at the walnut spring near Cassville.

The women and boys all went bare-footed during the summer months. When they went to church they would go bare-footed and carry their shoes until they came in sight of the church. Then they would put on their shoes and stockings but after leaving the church they would take them off and return home bare-footed.

The neighbors had a home-made threshing machine made in the barn of the late Jonnie McClure. The machine was run by power run by oxen. The people would haul the wheat to the barn in the sheaf and thresh it. In many cases they would thresh the wheat with a wooden flail or tramp it out on a wooden floor with horses.

The nearest mill in those days was at Roaring River. One of the neighbors would take the trip to the mill with an ox wagon and would take grists for practically the whole neighborhood. In those days it took from three days to a week to make the trip as they would often have to camp at the mill two or three days to get their grinding. In many cases the women would boil corn until it became soft and then grit it in a gritter made of tin with nail holes punched in it. The meal was made by rubbing the ear of corn on the old gritter and

grinding it into meal which was then dried in the sun and was ready for use.

The first old mill at Roaring River was owned by a man by the name of Clements. Later it was owned by the late William McClure and a Mr. Trim. This mill stood near the mouth of the river and was burned by Federal soldiers during the Civil war. After the war McClure and Trim built a new mill just below the spring which later became the property of the Prestons and was later sold to the Brunner Investment Company of Kansas City. The old building was remodeled and converted into a modern hotel and later was destroyed by fire.

In about the year 1858 there was a rumbling sound heard at the Roaring River Spring. The water settled down several feet below the surface of the ground and did not run out any more for about twenty-four hours. The first old mill was built of logs and put together with wooden pins.

Sallee remembers accompanying the women of the neighborhood during war times to the Roaring River and also the old Gad Fly (now Corsecana) mill. He was then a very small lad.

Most of the early settlers of western Barry County came from east Tennessee but the Sallees came from Virginia. Some of the first settlers were the Logans, Duncans, Higgs, Burtons, Evans and the Warrens.

These early settlers came to Barry County in the early day with their families in ox wagons which were of the old linchpin type. The Sallees came in one of these wagons which was made by the late John Boucher. It was made of Bodark timber. Mr. Sallee still has one of the wheels of this old wagon in his possession. The tire has never been re-set and is perfectly tight yet.

To add to the hardships of these early settlers the Civil war broke out in the early sixties. Then came real hard times for the people of Southwest Missouri.

Mr. Sallee remembers well, though a small boy, the stirring days of the sixties. He remembers when Captain James Montgomery raised a company of volunteers for the Confederate army. The people of that part of the country met at the old Bowen spring on Shoal creek and gave them a big dinner. They were to leave the next day. Sometime in the afternoon Cam Boucher, who was at that time one of General Joe Shelby's scouts, rode up, dismounted, got up on a stump and made a speech. He told the people that he was just from Springfield and that General Seigle's army was on their way south and would be in Cassville the next day. He advised the old boys to make their get away at once but Cam was such a blower that no one believed him and passed the matter up unheeded. That night they had

a big party at old man Crisman's on the head of Shoal Creek. By daylight next morning the country was full of Seigle's scouts and the boys of Montgomery's company had to make their get away as well as they could. None of them was captured, however.

Sallee remembers hearing the artillery during the battle of Wilson Creek. He also heard the cannon at Pea Ridge, Ark., and the small arms at the battles of Newtonia and Carthage. A story is told that Uncle Jonnie Packwood, Sam and Harve McClure, and others, who went to Springfield to witness the battle of Wilson Creek. They took plenty of arms with them so that they could help the Confederates end the war in case they were needed. It is said that when the artillery fire opened they were eating their meal, that they cut the tugs of their horses loose from the vehicles, jumped on the horses and hit for home. It is alleged that Sam McClure had a hot biscuit in his hands at the time which he had crammed into his pocket, that when he got home he removed the biscuit from his pocket and found that it was still hot.

Southwest Missouri suffered from guerrilla warfare badly as the people of this part of the state were divided. Sallee tells a story of the late Joseph Antle and several of his sons and the Grant boys, Jim and Jeff, hiding in the woods near the old Sallee farm. Early one morning while they were eating their breakfast a squad of bushwhackers charged and fired on them. They all jumped on their horses which were saddled close at hand and retreated. Jim Grant although wounded was able to stay on his horse but fell off the horse dead about a mile from the scene. He was found in three or four days. Mr. Sallee's mother helped bury him. Jeff Grant was killed later in Arkansas while reaching into a barrel to get a little corn in the bottom of it. The Antles all joined the army and went through the war unhurt.

Some of the old members of Captain Montgomery's Company whom Sallee remembers well are Sam Packwood, John Bowen, Enoch Boucher, Beth Davidson, John Box, Tom and Harve McClure, Dave Higgs, Jack and Joe McCarey, Tom Cawan, Tom and Jack Montgomery, Perry Woodward, Newt, Jim and Jeff Mitchell, Dan and John Warren, Jim Wooten and Leander Price.

One of the most noted guerrillas in the country at that time was a fellow by the name of Christian who claimed to be a Union man, or Home Guard. He had a number of followers. His gang killed Ace Chilcutt, Tom Dillworth, Dock Harris and Elias Price who were hiding in the hills west of where Exeter now is. The men were all shot in the right eye and the top of their heads blown off. Their brains were taken out and put in their hats which were set beside their bodies. Tom Sallee's father helped haul the men in and bury

them. They were all buried in one large grave in the old Packwood cemetery.

The Christian gang burned many houses in that part of the country, claiming that the owners were Confederate sympathizers. Later on a man by the name of Moore, who was one of General Joe Shelby's scouts and whose father Christian had killed, asked his commander for a few days' furlough in order that he might kill Christian. The furlough was granted. He killed Christian near Newtonia, cut off his scalp and beard, tied it to his horse's bridle and rode over the country showng the scalp to many people whose homes Christian had burned. Mr. Sallee's wife, then a young girl named Nancy Hale, saw the scalp, Moore rode over the country and gave every widow whose house Christian had burned $10.00. This incident marked the ending of the Christian gang in Southwest Missouri.

During the war it became very difficult to obtain salt. The people were compelled to dig up the dirt in their smoke houses, put it in a hopper similar to an ash hopper, and run water through it. The water was then boiled down to salt.

In those days in order to make soda they would take lye made from wood ashes and boil it down to potash, burn the potash, powder it and make soda.

Mr. Sallee's father did not go into the army on either side. Although a strong southern sympathizer he kept out of the army. Near the close of the war he came to Cassville and took the oath of allegiance to the United States for protection for which reason he was not molested but was compelled, like his neighbors, to suffer many hardships. The family often went without bread for days at a time.

In the early days game of all kinds was very plentiful, especially during the war when all the men folks were away and the people at home were not allowed to keep guns. Mr. Sallee states that it was a common thing to see fifteen or twenty deer in a gang. Turkey was as plentiful as quail. He states that on one occasion he got after a bunch of turkey and killed so many that he had to have help to carry them home. He states that the deer became a menace to the farmers, often almost ruining the corn crops.

Mr. Sallee was an old time fox hunter and kept a fine pack of hounds for many years. He still enjoys telling stories of the chase. The early setters all lived in log houses with stick and clay chimneys and puncheon floors. When one of the neighbors was in need of a new house all the neighbors would gather at his place and have what they called a "house raising." They would build the house and chimney, often having the house ready for occupancy in one day.

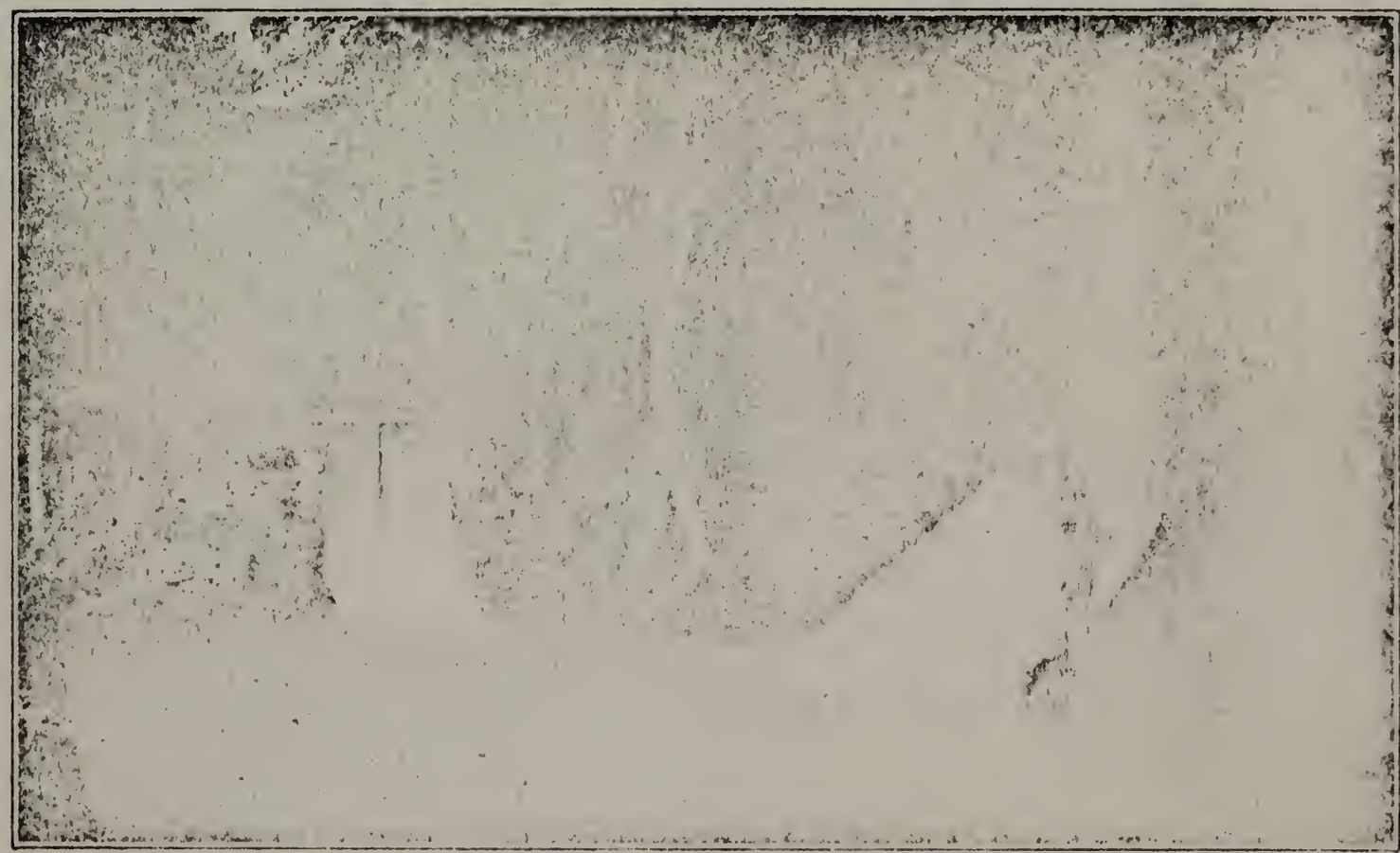
Then the neighbors would gather in and have a big dance or party that night.

Farmers would sow a small crop of wheat and in an early day they could cut it with a reap hook. Later the wheat was cut with cradles, then reaper and still later the binder.

In the early days the farmers all worked together in the wheat harvest. They would all meet at one man's crop and cut it one day. Then they would go to the next man's the following day and so on. Each farmer whose wheat they were cutting was supposed to furnish a jug of old rye for the men. It is said that often in the evenings some old fellows would get too much. When one would reach over to hook a shock of wheat and fall over and mash it down the bunch would decide that he had too much and would carry him to a good shade where they would pour cold water on his head until he came out of it.

Doctors were very scarce in those days. At times it was almost impossible to get a doctor. Each neighborhood would have some good old woman who would act as midwife and Yard doctor for the whole neighborhood. Sallee says that his mother was the old doctor woman in that part of the country. When anyone would get sick they would always send for Aunt Harriet, as she was called, and she would always respond with a satchel full of different roots and herbs from which she would make tea. The patient would usually come out of it but in case he would not readily respond to the treatment she would have them send for Uncle Lindsey McCary. He would bleed the patient who was sure to improve thereby. In case a tooth had to be pulled Uncle Henry Lindsey McCary would do the job with a pair of home-made forceps.

Mr. Sallee is a very stout man for one of his age. He buried his wife about two years ago and now makes his home with his daughter Mrs. Orlando Boucher, at Monett, Missouri. Sallee is a grandson of the late Thomas Tennant, an old Methodist circuit rider. In early days Rev. Tennant, who lived to be 114 years old, could tell some interesting stories of his experiences as a circuit rider, how he would camp at nights and sleep in trees to keep vermin from getting him. Sallee is a democrat and has been a member of the Presbyterian church for about seventy years.



ROARING RIVER, CASSVILLE, MO.
Home of Mr. and Mrs. William McClure 1860-1880

MRS. WILLIAM McCLURE
(Zarilda Jane Gay)

ZARILDA JANE GAY

McCLURE

(Second wife of William McClure)

1. ZARILDA JANE MILLER
   (Mother of Jane Gay)
   born Feb. 22, 1800
   died Feb. 18, 1865
   buried in Confederate cemetery, Springfield, Mo.
   TWICE MARRIED
   First husband was ELIJAH WEST
   2 children

   A. Elijah West, Jr.
      born—
      died 1864

   B. ELIZABETH PROCTOR WEST
      born Dec. 3, 1826
      died Oct. 23, 1900
      married Josiah Keet
      born Sept. 8, 1822
      died Feb. 5, 1895
      7 children:

      1. Frances Ruth Keet
         born Sept. 21, 1844
         married Dr. R. J. Smith, 5 children
         1. Kinyon Ida; born Dec. 11, 1862
         2. Virgil E.; born Nov. 18, 1884
         3. Grace Keet Smith, born Nov. 3, 1866
            married Geo. Cooper; 3 children
         4. Charlotte E. Smith, born Feb. 12. 1873
         5. Clara E. Smith, born Dec. 26, 1875

      2. Thomas West Keet
         born Sept. 1, 1846; died Nov. 6, 1925
         married Clara Hurst

      3. James Elijah Keet
         born July 14, 1849; died July 7, 1900
         married Kate Holland; 3 children
         1. Holland, married May Lloyd; 2 sons
         2. Catherine, married Claude McIlheny; 1 son

      4. John Charles Keet
         born Aug. 2, 1851; died Feb. 20, 1905
         married Lyda Hypes; 2 daughters

1. Florence, married Percy Hemus
2. Belle, married

5. William Jabez Keet
born Dec. 25, 1854; died April 22, 1860

6. Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Keet
born April 7, 1860
married Norman McLeod of Boston
2 sons; 1. Keith; 2. Malcolm

7. Josiah Edwin Keet;
born Feb. 11, 1868; died Feb. 7, 1888; unmarried.

Second husband, DANIEL GAY
Dates not known. Went to California and did not return
5 children

C. ELIZA ANN GAY, Washburn, Mo.
born May 26, 1835
died May 17, 1917
married Andrew J. Stewart, (born March 15, 1832, died Nov. 1898)
8 children; 5 died in infancy

1. Emma Ruth Stewart
born Nov. 14, 1855
died March 8, 1904 at Britton, Okla
married W. H. Dye

2. Edmund Hervey Stewart, Durant, Oklahoma
Mayor, abstract business
born June 17, 1866
married Elizabeth Douglass May 6, 1893 in Mountain Grove, Mo.
4 children.

1. Daniel Douglass
born March 13, 1894
married Sue Hardway, Sherman Texas, June 26, 1926
1 son, Dan. Jr.; born Sept. 20, 1930

2. Ruth Ann
born May 30, 1895; died Jan. 2, 1910

3. Georgia Caroline, Oklahoma City
born June 13, 1902
lives in Oklahoma City; teacher

4. Mary Margaret Stewart
born April 11, 1906
married Clifford J. Jarrell Dec. 26, 1925;
lives at 604 Sunset Drive. Wichita Falls, Texas
2 sons

1. Jackie, born October 12, 1928
2. son born Oct. 3, 1933; unnamed.

3. Fred Gay Stewart
born Dec. 26, 1875
Has lived in Manila for 28 years; Chief Clerk of Ordinance Department, City of Manila.

D. WILLIAM GAY
born June 23, 1837; bachelor.

E. ZARILDA JANE GAY
born Feb. 12, 1840
died Nov. 8, 1919
married William McClure of Washburn, Mo., July 10, 1861
6 children:

1. Rebecca McClure, married Dr. Samuel Wilson Chandler; 4 children
2. Alice, married James George, lawyer, 3 children
3. William Durham, married Sallie Bryan.
4. John Charles, married Rosa Adcock, 4 children.
5. Guy Wright, married Lucy Black, 2 children,
6. Dr. George White McClure, Married Callie Boozier, 1 son.

F. THOMAS GAY
born May 17, 1842, bachelor, died ?

G. MINERVA GAY
married Sam Oakley; childrens' names unknown
1 daughter married an Epperson; 2 grandsons of Minerva's are William Elmer Epperson and Ernest Epperson. They are in the canning business in Seattle, Wash. George Griffin, husband of Lois Chandler is in business with the Eppersons.

Washington, D. C., 8th June, 1922

My dear Miss McClure:

I cannot let your delightful note of June 7th go by without acknowledgment. It gave me real pleasure and in return I wish to express my regret that I did not have the pleasure of greeting you in person and can only send this written message of friendship and cordial salutation.

I share your confidence that the Missouri democrats will in August thoroughly vindicate the honor and ideals of the party and the country. It is delightful to believe that they feel as you do.

With warmest good wishes,
Cordially and sincerely yours,

WOODROW WILSON.

Miss Mabel B. McClure,
Kansas City, Mo.

In explanation will say that I was in Washington, D. C. in June, 1922, and wrote Mr. Wilson that I was a Missouri Democrat and we had two things in common—the same birthday and the same opinion of Senator James A. Reed of Kansas City. Also that I regretted not seeing him, but since he was ill, I did not dare intrude. Later I saw him on his daily ride to Mt. Vernon and then sent him some flowers. Many times I sent him a birthday greeting, which he always acknowledged but formally. This letter is my prize treasure.

Mabel B. McClure

FAMILY ALBUM

SONS OF WILLIAM McCLURE

GUY W. WILL WHITE WALTER CHARLES

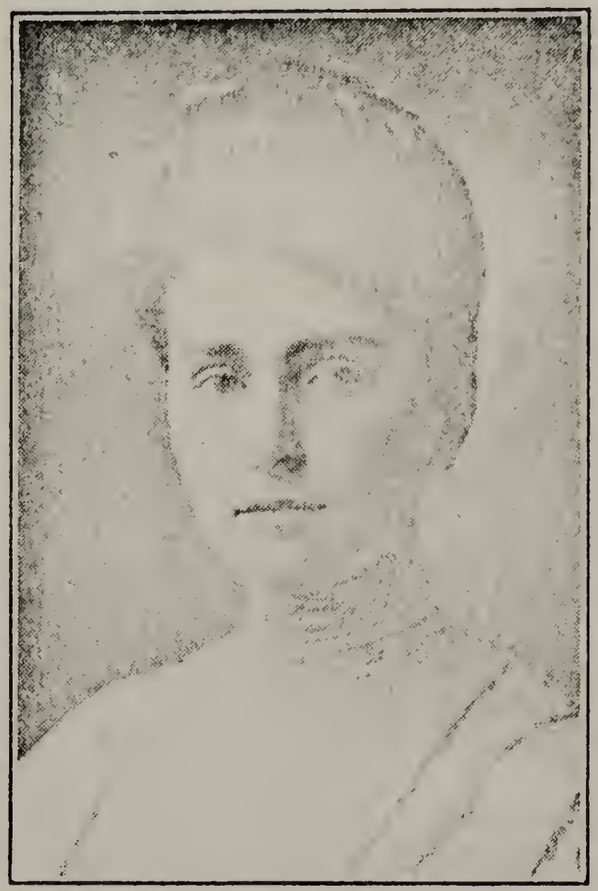
REV. W. T. McCLURE
and his bride Ophelia Abernathy on
their wedding day, Aug. 26, 1878

GEORGE WHITE McCLURE, M. D.
1877-1913

MRS. S. W. CHANDLER
(Rebecca McClure)

FOUR GENERATIONS
Mrs. Wm. McClure,
Mrs. S. W. Chandler,
Chas. C. Chandler
and Chas., Jr.

ETHEL LANE McCLURE



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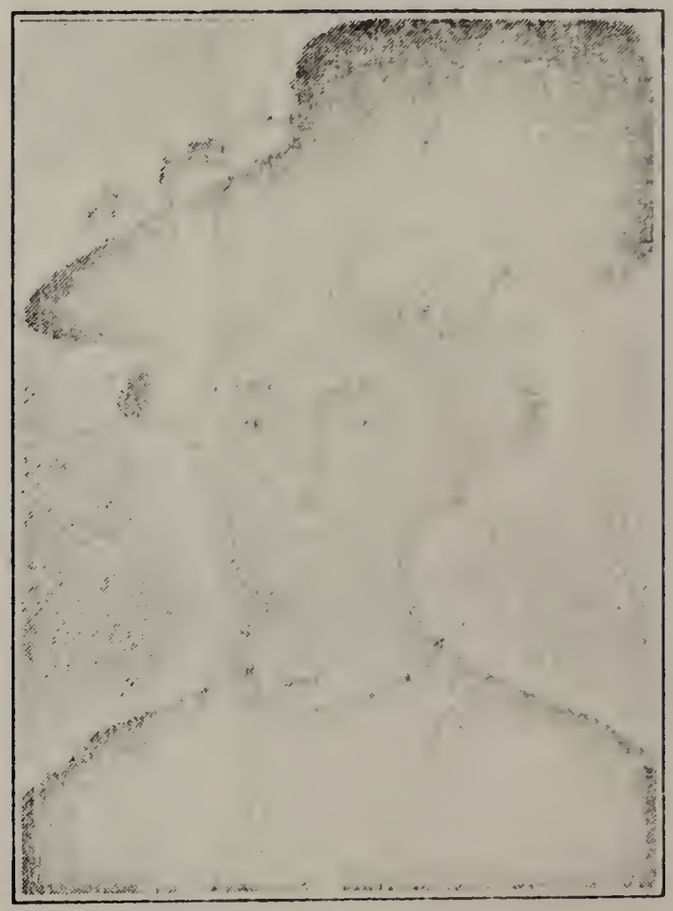

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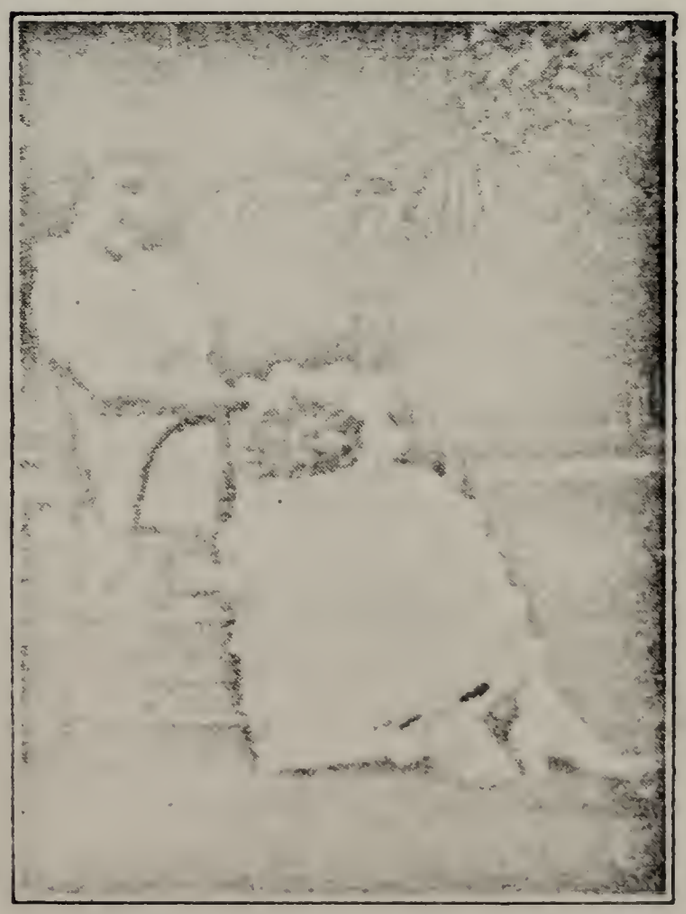
1905

VIRGINIA ALICE McCLURE



VIRGINIA ALICE McCLURE

MRS. JOHN WINSTON BATES
(Alleene McClure)
and daughter Mary Louise

MRS. MORRIS FUNK
(Mary'O George)

Wedding Party of Elizabeth Pauline McClure and
Rev. Arthur M. Campbell

Attendants of Elizabeth P. McClure at her Wedding to Rev. Arthur
M. Campbell. Her sister Virginia in center.

REV. W. T. McCLURE AND FAMILY
Mabel, Virginia, Elizabeth, Maude, Mrs. W. T. McClure, Walter and Arthur Campbell

Arthur M. Campbell, Walter M. Campbell
Ages 8 and 10

ETHEL MAUDE McCLURE KATE

MRS. HARRY SNARE
(Maude McClure)

LAURA CREWS MABEL McCLURE
St. Marks Square, Venice Italy, August 1931.

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